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JOSIAH THOMPSON ON CIA

GUEST: Josiah Thompson author of "Six Seconds In Dallas"

CALLER: I was wondering what Mr. Thompson would think of this opinion of mine. You know in the Amelia Erhart (?) murder nothing has ever really come out on the answer of that thing, and I'm sure that Washington knows. Do you think that this is what's going to happen about the President?

THOMPSON: Well, I was unaware that Amelia Erhart (?) was murdered. I thought her plane went down at sea.

CALLER: Well, you haven't read the last book, I see.

THOMPSON: OK. (laughter)

CALLER: Well, it's true, I just got through reading it about a week ago...

THOMPSON: Oh really? Who did her in, if I may ask?

CALLER: Oh, well, that of course, is what has never come out. The thing is all the higher ups in Washington and even military men who are now retired have come out with a little bit of something but they say that's all I can tell you, see so and so, or ask somebody and it seems to revolve all around the CIA. It's a just passing the buck bit, and I think that's what they're doing with this President Kennedy thing. In my opinion, but I mean, who am I...

THOMPSON: Well, your opinion is as good as anyone else's...

CALLER: Well, it seems to me that there's a tremendous amount of evidence about the President and it's just being

kicked around like a football.

THOMPSON: You know, there's one piece of evidence I've always wanted to have a look at. We know the title of the document, it's in the National Archives, it's from CIA Plans Director Helms, who's now the head of the CIA, to the Commission. And the title of the document is "Various Inconsistencies in Earlier CIA Reports Furnished to the Commission by the CIA on Lee Harvey Oswald."

CALLER: Now this is the same thing that has happened about Amelia Earheart. There were papers there when whoever -- I've forgotten now, when whoever was in was in -- and when they went back a second time those papers were no longer in the files. They have been lifted.

THOMPSON: Well, I think all of these papers are in the files, I'd just like to look at them sometimes

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